

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5 with the following rewritten paragraph:

This application is related to other U.S. Patents ~~Applications~~, each having a filing date of December 11, 1998 and each having a common assignee. The related patents ~~applications~~ are: "Packet Tunneling Optimization to Wireless Devices Accessing Packet-Based Networks," U.S. Patent Number 6,496,505 ~~Serial No. XXXX~~; "Dynamic Address Assignment for Wireless Devices Accessing Packet-Based Networks," U.S. Patent Number 6,434,134 ~~Serial No. XXXX~~; "Two Phase Local Mobility Scheme for Wireless Access to Packet-Based Networks," U.S. Patent Number 6,763,007 ~~Serial No. XXXX~~; and "Wireless Access to Packet-Based Networks," U.S. Patent Number 6,654,359 ~~Serial No. XXXX~~.